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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT**

**NORTHERN DISTRICT CALIFORNIA OF SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION**

In re:	) Case No. 19-30088 (DM)
	) Chapter 11
PG&E CORPORATION	) (lead case)
	) (jointly administered)
-and-	)
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC	) <b>DECLARATION OF DARLENE</b>
COMPANY,	) <b>GAY HANCOCK IN SUPPORT OF</b>
	) <b>MOTION TO ALLOW/DEEM</b>
	) <b>TIMELY LATE FILING OF</b>
	) <b>PROOF OF CLAIM BY</b>
	) <b>DARLENE GAY HANCOCK</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Affects PG&E Corporation	)
<input type="checkbox"/> Affects Pacific Gas and Electric	) Date: March 24, 2021
Company	) Time: 10:00 a.m.
	) Place: Telephonic/Video Appearances
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Affects both Debtors	) Only: United States Bankruptcy Court
	) 450 Goldengate Avenue
	) Courtroom 16, 17th Flr
	) San Francisco, CA 94102
	) Judge: Hon. Dennis Montali
	) Objection Deadline: February 24,
	) 2021(March 1, 2021 if served by
	) mail—FRBP 9006(f)

I, Darlene Gay Hancock, declare as follows:

1. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this declaration and, if called and sworn as a witness, I would be competent to testify to those facts. I make

1 this declaration in support of the above-captioned motion (“Motion”).

2       2.     My husband, Gene, and I moved to Paradise, California (“Paradise”) in  
3 1969. We built our lives in Paradise, raising our children to adulthood, and then  
4 helped raise our grandchildren in Paradise. Paradise was home to three generations of  
5 our family.

6       3.     In 2017, the year before the Camp Fire, Gene died suddenly. We had  
7 been married 50 years. Gene had been my “rock”. He was, by all measures, an astute  
8 businessman. He managed all of our finances - saving money for retirement,  
9 investing wisely, collecting the rent from the four small rental units we owned, paying  
10 mortgages, and maintaining our bank accounts.

11       4.     Shortly after Gene died, I fell into a deep depression and developed  
12 severe inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), which my doctors determined was  
13 exacerbated by the stress of my husband’s death. The IBD kept me housebound and  
14 incapacitated for over six months.

15       5.     I was still grieving the loss of my husband and working to recover from  
16 the depression, while at the same time recovering from the IBD when the Camp Fire  
17 roared through Paradise on November 8, 2018. I was forced to flee the home that  
18 Gene and I had built together and I watched our house and community burn, literally,  
19 in my rearview mirror.

20       6.     In the months following the fire, I fell into an even deeper depression,  
21 suffering what my friends and family describe as a “mental breakdown.” The IBD  
22 had returned – worse than ever before. I was again housebound, unable to leave the  
23 small home I had purchased with the homeowner’s insurance proceeds. My adult  
24 daughter, who lived with me and who also lost her home in the Camp Fire, cared for  
25 me the best she could, but she too was suffering from the devastation. My other

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1 children and grandchildren brought me food and provided what care they could, but  
2 they too were struggling and had lost their homes, livelihoods and community in the  
3 Camp Fire.

4 7. It took me more than a year to come to grips with the loss of the "love of  
5 my life", my husband of 50 years, and the loss of all my worldly possessions  
6 accumulated over a lifetime. In a matter of eighteen months, I had lost my husband,  
7 my home, my community, and my health. Prior to this, I had been healthy - vibrant,  
8 and had never suffered from depression. I had always seen myself as a survivor who  
9 gets back up and carried on. Within the last few months, I have begun to start  
10 recovering from the depression, IBD and PTSD and am only now beginning to mend.

11 8. Compounding my tardiness in bringing this claim is my "computer  
12 illiteracy". (I have barely been able to navigate a cellular telephone.)

13 9. All of the factors mentioned above, combined with the loss of my  
14 husband, and then losing my home and life possessions in the fire, led to physical and  
15 mental/emotional debilitation that prevented me from timely filing a proof of claim.

16 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of  
17 America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on February 2, 2021.

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